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Fremont led his 3rd Expedition to California, when he reached California the Americans there were threatening to rebel against the Mexican Gov't.

They declared California a republic and raised their own flag. About this time Commodore Stockton arrived with an American warship. He took command of the Americans. He made Fremont, Governor of California. When U.S. & Mexico went to War,

An American Army led by General Stephen F. Kearney arrived & he ordered Frémont to give up his position as governor even though Commodore of Stockton of the Navy made him go. Frémont decided to obey Stockton & defy Kearney. This was the wrong ~~go~~ choice, Kearney was the governor. Gen. Kearney had Frémont arrested, brought back to Wash. DC. and tried by a military court. The Army Court found him guilty, but Pres of U.S. decided not. Frémont resigned from the Army & went back to Cal. nearly losing his life in the mtn pass. His land he had bought was rich in gold. He became wealthy.